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So (two-thirds not having voted in favor thereof) the joint resolution was not passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid upon the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. ISTOOK. Mr. Speaker, I regret could not be present to vote for the Tax Limitation Amendment. I am attending a special family milestone-my oldest son's graduation from college. Had I been present I would have voted AYE.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON S. 1150, AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, EX-TENSION, AND EDUCATION RE-FORM ACT OF 1998

Mr. SMITH of Oregon submitted the following conference report and statement on the Senate bill (S. 1150) to ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education ad-

dress high-priority concerns with national or multistate significance, to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs, and for other purposes:

CONFERENCE REPORT (H. REPT. 105-492)

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the House to the bill (S. 1150), to ensure that federally funded agricultural research, extension, and education address high-priority concerns with national or multistate significance, to reform, extend, and eliminate certain agricultural research programs, and for other purposes, having met, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective Houses as follows:

That the Senate recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the House and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the House amendment, insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as "Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. Definitions.

Sec. 3. Short titles for Smith-Lever Act and Hatch Act of 1887.

TITLE I—PRIORITIES, SCOPE, REVIEW, AND COORDINATION OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH. EXTENSION, AND EDU-**CATION**

Sec. 101. Standards for Federal funding of agricultural research, extension, and education.

Sec. 102. Priority setting process.

Sec. 103. Relevance and merit of agricultural research, extension, and education funded by the Department.

Sec. 104. Research formula funds for 1862 Institutions.

Sec. 105. Extension formula funds for 1862 Institutions.

Sec. 106. Research facilities.

TITLE II—REFORM OF EXISTING AGRICUL-TURAL RESEARCH, EXTENSION, AND **EDUCATION AUTHORITIES**

Subtitle A—Smith-Lever Act and Hatch Act of 1887

Sec. 201. Cooperative agricultural extension work by 1862, 1890, and 1994 Institutions

Sec. 202. Plans of work to address critical research and extension issues and use of protocols to measure success of plans.

Sec. 203. Consistent matching funds requirements under Hatch Act of 1887 and Smith-Lever Act.

Sec. 204. Integration of research and extension.

Subtitle B—Competitive, Special, and Facilities Research Grant Act

Sec. 211. Competitive grants.

Sec. 212. Special grants.

Subtitle C-National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977

Sec. 221. Definitions regarding agricultural research, extension, and education.

Sec. 222. Advisory Board.

Sec. 223. Grants and fellowships for food and agricultural sciences education.

Sec. 224. Policy research centers.

Sec. 225. Plans of work for 1890 Institutions to address critical research and extension issues and use of protocols to measure success of plans.

Sec. 226. Matching funds requirement for research and extension activities at 1890 Institutions.

Sec. 227. International research, extension, and teaching.

Sec. 228. United States-Mexico joint agricultural research.

Sec. 229. Competitive grants for international agricultural science and education programs.

Sec. 230. General administrative costs.

Sec. 231. Expansion of authority to enter into cost-reimbursable agreements.

Subtitle D—Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990

Sec. 241. Agricultural Genome Initiative.

Sec. 242. High-priority research and extension initiatives.

Sec. 243. Nutrient management research and extension initiative.

Sec. 244. Organic agriculture research and extension initiative.

Sec. 245. Agricultural telecommunications program.
Sec. 246. Assistive technology program for farm-

ers with disabilities.

Subtitle E—Other Laws

Sec. 251. Equity in Educational Land-Grant Štatus Act of 1994.

Sec. 252. Fund for Rural America.

Sec. 253. Forest and rangeland renewable resources research.

TITLE III—EXTENSION OR REPEAL OF AG-RICULTURAL RESEARCH. EXTENSION. AND EDUCATION AUTHORITIES

Sec. 301. Extensions. Sec. 302. Repeals.

TITLE IV—NEW **AGRICULTURAL** SEARCH, EXTENSION, AND EDUCATION INITIATIVES

Sec. 401. Initiative for Future Agriculture and Food Systems.

Sec. 402. Partnerships for high-value agricultural product quality research.

Sec. 403. Precision agriculture.

Sec. 404. Biobased products. Sec. 405. Thomas Jefferson Initiative for Crop Diversification.

Sec. 406. Integrated research, education, and extension competitive grants program.
Sec. 407. Coordinated program of research, ex-

tension, and education to improve viability of small and medium size dairy, livestock, and poultry operations

Sec. 408. Support for research regarding diseases of wheat and barley caused by Fusarium graminearum.

TITLE V—AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM **ADJUSTMENTS**

Subtitle A-Food Stamp Program

Sec. 501. Reductions in funding of employment and training programs.

Sec. 502. Reductions in payments for administrative costs.

Sec. 503. Extension of eligibility period for refugees and certain other qualified aliens from 5 to 7 years.

Sec. 504. Food stamp eligibility for certain disabled aliens.

Sec. 505. Food stamp eligibility for certain Indians.

Sec. 506. Food stamp eligibility for certain elderly individuals.

Sec. 507. Food stamp eligibility for certain children.

Sec. 508. Food stamp eligibility for certain

Hmong and Highland Laotians.

Sec. 509. Conforming amendments.

Sec. 510. Effective dates.

Subtitle B—Information Technology Funding

Sec. 521. Information technology funding.

Subtitle C—Crop Insurance

Sec. 531. Funding.